

Railroad Topics

Rev. W. R. Muir of Phoenix, Ariz., has accepted the position as such at the Gallup shops.

Forty-three railroads reporting for the third week of May show aggregate earnings of \$8,162,741, a gain of \$11,018, of 6.7 per cent.

The Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific railway has erected a 75-foot derrick at Santa Rosa to be used in drilling a new well for the company.

Thousands of railroad men in the east made idle by the great coal strike are now using up the savings of past months for subsistence.

The finance department of Mexico has prepared a bill authorizing the issue of \$20,000,000 5 per cent bonds for subsidies to railway companies.

The bonded debt now outstanding on the Atchafalaya system, as shown yesterday, amounts to, in round figures, \$22,000,000, on which the interest charge is something over \$9,217,000.

The Rock Island is to start at an early date the building of large car shops at or near Colorado Springs, Colo. Shops are also to be built at Rock Island, Mo., and at Topeka, Kansas.

President E. T. Jeffery, of the Denver & Rio Grande railway, which is now part of the Gould system, has moved his headquarters from Denver to the West in Union building in New York City.

On Tuesday night last at Holbrook, W. C. Teneyek and Mrs. Lena Harman were married by Rev. Wm. Sloan. Mr. Teneyek is a Western Union operator. Mrs. Harman is the widow of the late deputy sheriff.

The round house at Williams burned down yesterday. A hard wind was blowing at the same time and it took herculean work to save adjoining buildings. A dead engine in the round house was burned and considerably damaged.

The El Paso-Rock Island passenger train, which arrived at Alamogordo loaded twenty-five experienced dining room girls from Chicago, who will be employed at the Clondorff lodge this summer. It is said that there are about fifteen more of them yet to come.

A. T. Stillwell and others have incorporated at Kansas City, Mo., the Outer Belt & Electric Railway company. It proposes to expend \$2,000,000 for a new bridge across the Missouri a new depot and a belt railway which will open the new railway entrances to the city.

The Topeka State Journal says: Edward Ballister, a blacksmith, who had a job in those shops several years ago, has been around here calling on his former acquaintances recently. He has been following the trade down in Alabama, but will shortly get a job with the Santa Fe at Alton, N. M.

The Choctaw will be operated as a separate property by the Rock Island management. All representatives of the traffic department will serve both roads, those on the line of the Choctaw and in territory contiguous to it reporting to the offices of that road at Little Rock and others direct to the Rock Island offices.

The Amalgamated Association of Railway Servants of England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales is evidently a well managed, it admits to membership all employees in its jurisdiction. It is rich and powerful, having 623 "branches" and 52,941 members, and \$163,915 cash on hand and \$257,930 worth of securities.

Shipments of brick silver continuously from Omaha to Old Mexico. The transfer of the metal from the St. Joseph passenger to the through train causes much interest among depot activities, who stand around with visions of what they would do were it only possible to come into possession of one or two of the pieces worth each a little more than \$500.

For several days the conductors and brakemen have received orders to count the passengers in each car on the trains running into Lordsburg, both from the east and west, says the Lordsburg Liberal. What is the purpose of the officials in this matter is not known, but it is supposed to be for the purpose of cutting down the number of cars on the trains.

Common activity in railroad construction prevails in the territory dominated by St. Louis. It is estimated that not less than 2,000 miles of new railroad lines are under construction in Missouri, Arkansas, Indian Territory, Oklahoma and Texas. Contracts have been let for at least that many more miles, and projected extensions will add another 2,000 miles.

E. H. Berry, assistant to Chief Chemist Powers, has returned to Topeka from a trip west extending as far as Winslow, Ariz. At different points along the route Mr. Berry secured samples of water which the company uses and took them back for the purpose of analyzing and if possible finding a way of treating them so that the quantities in them to which the locomotives are injured might be removed.

The running of a fast limited train between Chicago, Omaha and Denver, that will make even faster time than the Rocky Mountain limited lately put on by the Rock Island is likely to lead to a passenger rate war. The Burlington is generally the only other road from Chicago that can meet the fast time announced by the Rock Island, and the Northwestern talks of a reduction in rates to effect the fast time.

The Alamogordo News says: A Walter, the Rock Island agent at Clondorff, was very severely hurt Monday by being thrown from a horse. He had his face cut open by a sharp stone and it was thought at first that he was injured internally, but fortunately this was not the case. He was brought to Alamogordo hotel where the physician secured on the head cut in his face and applied the X-ray to see what internal injury he may have sustained, but none were found.

The Deming Headlight says that the first practical test of the interlocking safety switch on the Southern Pacific Hiabee crossing near that city was made last Tuesday evening. Hiabee and Southern Pacific trains were both approaching the switch and the oper-

or gave the Hiabee train right of way, at the same time, signaling the Southern Pacific train to stop. The Southern Pacific failed to do so, soon enough and the engine and two cars were derailed and the fireman slightly bruised.

Henry N. Garland, for the past twenty years western passenger agent of the Wabash railroad and for over thirty years in railway service in Kansas City, has tendered his resignation and will retire. Mr. Garland has been anxious to be relieved from the duties of his position for some time. He recently took a trip abroad and upon his return asked to be relieved. He will be succeeded by L. C. McClelland, now district passenger agent of the Wabash at St. Louis. Mr. Garland will rest for a year or two without engaging in an active occupation.

SHOWED THE VOLCANOES.

Five Maps Showing Phases of the Canal Question.

Washington, June 5.—When the senate convened today at 2 o'clock to resume consideration of the Isthmian canal bill, five large maps depicting various phases of the canal question were displayed about the walls of the chamber. Presumably these were to enable Mr. Hanna, of Ohio, who was to speak upon the measure, to illustrate his remarks. It was noticeable on one of the maps all volcanoes were marked, an active volcano being indicated in red and an extinct in black.

Previous to taking up the Isthmian bill the senate passed the military academy appropriation bill without amendment.

Mr. Hanna opposed the Nicaragua route and said it was a question that if we wanted a canal for our commerce we wanted the best canal.

He pointed out the fact the Panama route was the shorter route. Saving expenses, he said, is important in canal construction and those elements are in favor of the Panama route. The cost of operating the Panama canal will be \$1,350,000 less than the annual cost of operating the Nicaragua canal. He also said the Nicaragua canal could not be completed at night.

At 5:15 p. m. Mr. Hanna suspended his remarks for the day and Mr. Mitchell, of Oregon, took the floor in advocacy of the Nicaragua route.

A GREAT UNDERTAKING.

Ten Miles of Market Garden for Otero County.

Prof. C. L. Horrick, of Albuquerque, is now in Tularosa, where he is preparing to go in the field to survey sites for a dam and several reservoirs which will be built by the Rinconada Land & Irrigation company, a corporation about to be incorporated under the laws of New Mexico, and the purpose of which is to build at once two large storage reservoirs at a cost of about \$1,000,000.

The first of these reservoirs will irrigate about 10,000 acres of land in the Rinconada valley lying north of Tularosa and beginning near the headwaters of the Rio Grande, on the south slope of the Sierra Blanca mountains. Professor Horrick will be located at Tularosa for some time, or until the final surveys for this reservoir are completed.

The new company proposes to operate somewhat on the plan of the irrigation companies in the Peeps valley and perpetual water rights will be sold to certain lands. The operators of the company will be on a big scale. It is proposed to irrigate a vast stretch of the country above Tularosa, which is noted for its fertility and adaptation to the culture of fruits and vegetables. Part of the land to be placed under irrigation extends for ten miles along the Rio Grande railroad, and this it is proposed to transform from a stretch of barren sand into a great market garden which will supply the markets of El Paso and the towns along the Rock Island. Actual work on the dam and reservoirs will be begun as soon as the surveys are complete. Major W. H. H. Jewell is attorney for the Rinconada company.—Alamogordo News.

MOULDING A STATE.

The Latest Regarding Arizona's Prospect for Admission.

President B. F. Porter of the board of trade received a telegram yesterday from Governor Murphy, who is now in Washington, saying that every possible influence should be brought to bear upon Senator Bard, of California in the statehood issue. The message was answered by Mr. Porter saying the suggestion would be acted upon. Immediately thereafter Mr. Porter, as president of the board of trade, wired the Call and the Chronicle of San Francisco, apprising them of the situation, thanking them for past favors and asking for immediate and special work editorially and through their personal influence, with the California senators and particularly Mr. Bard, in behalf of the statehood bill. Mr. Heyman, as chairman of the statehood committee, sent a telegram to Mr. Bard saying that all Arizona's hopes for statehood are centered in him and asking him to aid in the passage of the bill.—Phoenix Republican.

The Best Prescription for Malaria, Chills and fever is a bottle of Grove's Tasteless Chili Tonic. It is simply iron and quinine in a tasteless form. No cure, no pay. Price, 50c.

Sierra County Goat Ranchers.

Information from Sierra county is that the goat industry there is increasing and is proving very profitable. Sierra county boasts of some of the best blooded goats in the west. Purchasers of fine blooded goats come to Sierra county all the way from Montana, Colorado and other goat raising sections to purchase fine blooded does and bucks. The principal range is the eastern slope of the Black Range.

For Ninety-nine Years.

The Binneva murder case was called Tuesday morning, when Miguel Castillo was placed before the bar of justice accused of the murder of Albino Binneva. Castillo first entered a plea of not guilty which he later withdrew and entered a plea of murder in the second degree, whereupon Judge Park-

er sentenced him to 99 years in the penitentiary. This killing occurred at the Placeros, on the night of January 10 last, when Miguel Castillo, Albino Binneva and Patricio Valencia all got intoxicated, and on their way home Castillo fatally shot Binneva, whose dead body was found on the public road the next day. Castillo is about 25 years old.—Hillsboro Advocate.

DEAD IN QUARRY.

Premature Blast Kills Two and Injures Several Others Near Sopris.

At the stone quarry near Sopris, about three miles from Trinidad, Colo., two men were killed by a premature blast and three others were badly injured by being struck with pieces of rock.

There was great excitement at the quarry immediately after the explosion as several families, mostly Mexicans, live close by and the women set up a terrible wailing, and they were with difficulty restrained from getting hurt while the dead men were being extricated from the mass of rock. One of the men killed was Albino Mares, aged 26, who had resided here for the past twenty years. The lower part of his face was blown off, killing him instantly. The other man was Don Lucero, aged 37 years. His spine was injured and he was injured internally. He lived about an hour and died while on the road to the hospital.

OFFICIAL COUNT REQUIRED.

Returns in Oregon Show a Democratic Plurality of 30.

Portland, Ore., June 5.—Practically complete returns of the state have been received and the figures show a Democratic plurality of 30 votes ahead of Chamberlain, democrat, in the race for governor. It will undoubtedly require the final counts to decide the contest.

Another Change.

Portland, Ore., June 5.—Another precinct from Harney county and one from Malheur just received puts Chamberlain, democrat, 30 votes in the lead for governor.

ANTI-ANARCHY BILL.

Loud Says Congress is About to Act on Impulse.

Washington, June 5.—The house today proceeded with consideration of the anti-anarchy bill.

Mr. Sibley, of Pennsylvania, earnestly favored the passage of the bill. Mr. Loud of California opposed the bill. He said he sympathized with the motives that prompted the proposed legislation, but nevertheless he believed congress is about to act upon impulse. If he could bring himself to believe there was a word or line in the bill which would protect the life of the president he would accept the remainder, but as it was.

Messrs. Wooten, of Texas, and DeArmond also questioned the wisdom of the passage of the bill.

Forged Check for Twenty Dollars.

There was a little forgery committed at the Bank saloon near the plaza, owned by A. Gonzalez. A fellow named James O'Brien, not known here, but claiming to be a bartender, passed a check for \$20 with the name of J. R. Martin and he was given \$20 in cash. He made him and he spent the night having a "good time" drinking and visiting the tenderloin district. He spent part of the night in riding around in one of John Booth's carriages, and gave in payment an order for the other \$10 on his passed check.

When Mr. Martin was seen about the check he pronounced it a forgery, but the police were not notified until about 11 o'clock and O'Brien seems to have made himself scarce. Up to the middle of the afternoon he had not been apprehended.—Las Vegas Record.

Mint in Manila.

A mint is to be established in Manila and coins authorized may be coined at the mint the coinage laws of the United States being extended to the islands. The Philippine government is authorized to coin a silver dollar containing 16 grains standard silver, to be a coin of the Philippine islands, the denomination of the coin to be expressed in English, Filipino, and Chinese characters. Silver brought to the Manila mint shall be coined for the benefit of the depositor, the mint charge being 1 cent for each dollar coined.

E. W. Grove

This signature is on every box of the genuine **Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets** the remedy that cures a cold in one day

Shot an Indian.

O. H. Buck of Chico Springs came in this morning and gave himself up to the authorities stating that he had shot an Indian the evening before at his trading post 20 miles east of Simpson's store during an altercation over stock range of water. Mr. Buck claims the shooting was done in self defense. The result of the Indian's injuries are as yet unknown.—Aztec Index.

A Big Factory.

Beaumont, Texas, June 5.—The American Steel Wire company, it is said, has secured the title to 100 acres of land in the southern part of town, and intends to erect a \$5,000,000 factory on the site at an early day. It is expected the factory will employ 3,000 people.

Howell—Rhodes.

Edgar D. Howell and Miss Anna Rhodes were married last evening at the parsonage of the Lead Avenue Methodist Episcopal church by Dr. Bunker, the pastor. Both are from California and will return there to live.

A Mineral Map.

Professor Carrara, the well known geologist, is collecting specimens from all over the southwest and from north over Mexico to send to the St. Louis exposition.

He will go into every camp and get ores so as to make a detailed map of the mineral resources.

Dr. C. G. Foulke, the well-known dentist of Gallup, is now on his way to Birmingham, Ala., and Brandon, Miss., where he will enjoy several months with relatives and friends. En route through Texas the doctor will stop over for a day or two at Beaumont, Texas, to examine the big oil gushers.

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CROOKED BOOK AGENTS.

Cheap Volumes With Cheap Chinaware Tempt Unwary.

MARSHAL McMILLIN ADVISED.

City Marshal McMILLIN has been warned to look out for a gang of book agents which has been operating all over the middle west and which the police authorities of other cities declare is promoting a swindling scheme.

One of the leaders was arrested and indicted at Pittsburg on a charge of conspiracy to defraud. Other cities which have been visited are Kansas City, St. Louis, Cincinnati, Dayton, Erie, Wheeling and various Pennsylvania towns. The same scheme is now being worked in Denver, and City Marshal McMILLIN has reason to believe the gang is coming this way.

The plan is to send from four to eight agents into a town to canvass for standard books in cheap bindings, sold in sets of eighteen volumes. The books are worth about 50 cents each, but the agents sell them at 50 cents a copy, with a guarantee to give a premium of valuable jewelry or set of china when the last volume is delivered. One volume is delivered each week.

The bunch comes in at the latter end of the eighteen weeks' term. The books are delivered regularly and the 50 cents collected each week until sixteen or seventeen volumes are delivered and paid for. The collector never comes around with the last one, and after paying out \$8 or \$9 for 80 cents worth of books the purchaser gets a chance to claim the premium.

One feature of the story is that Governor Leslie M. Shaw, of Iowa, now secretary of the treasury of the United States, was one of the subscribers. But in his case, in order to use his name, the whole set and the premium were delivered. A few other cases are on record where the contract was observed.

The Denver Post, in commenting on the appearance of the gang in that city, says:

"Captain Loyden of the detectives has knowledge that the gang is operating in Denver, but he has been advised by the district attorneys that he cannot proceed against the men in this city unless there is complaint by somebody who has been victimized."

One of the agents of the concern is Ed Garwood, the safe blower who was captured by the detectives a few weeks ago. When Garwood was arrested a pass ticket was found in his pocket calling for one of the sample cases of chinaware given as premiums. Letters in his pocket showed him to be a regularly accredited agent."

HEAVY RAINS FELL.

Great Damage was Done in Iowa and Nebraska.

Beatrice, Neb., June 5.—A cloudburst struck the town of Beatrice, on the Union Pacific late yesterday, doing much damage. A foot of water fell in three hours. The streets of Beatrice, Princeton and Pickrel were unable to carry the immense volume of water and basements of dwellings and stores were flooded, doing a great amount of damage. The crops in many places were completely washed away. Small streams became raging torrents and a number of persons in the lowlands were compelled to remove to places of safety. The water ran over the Union Pacific tracks between Pickrel and Portland to a depth of two feet in some places and washed out a number of bridges and culverts.

Storm in Iowa.

Des Moines, Iowa, June 5.—Central Iowa suffered last night from one of the severest rain storms experienced in years. Damage was done to highways, railroad tracks and in many cases to buildings as well as growing crops.

Rain in Dakota.

Mitchell, S. D., June 5.—Seven inches of rain fell here last night, flooding streets and residences. The streets are like rivers. No loss of life.

Rain in Kansas.

Coffeyville, Kan., June 5.—One of the heaviest rains ever experienced here fell today. Water filled the streets until they resembled lakes. Cellars and basements were flooded and other damage done.

NO PERSONALITIES.

Hanna Discussed the Canal Proposition on a Broad Base.

Washington, June 6.—In the senate today, Mr. Morgan, chairman of the committee on inter-oceanic canals, presented a letter from Secretary Hay, enclosing copies of letters received by the state department regarding earthquakes and riots in the department of Panama. The secretary of state said the report of the riots would cover 1,000 typewritten pages and the department could not finish it within a month.

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